GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Mines & Minerals – A.P. Mineral Development Corporation Ltd. - Iron Ore over an extent of 1327 hectares in Comp.Nos.692, 693, 694 in Minchery R.F. of Kalyandurg Range of Nemakallu (V), Bommanahal (M) and Hirdahal & Obulapuram (V) of D.Hirehal (M), Ananthapur District – Reservation in favour of M/s APMDC Ltd., under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 117 Dated:28-11-2015.

Read the following:-

1) Govt. Lr.No.15952/M.III(1)/2013-14, dt.18.02.2014.
2) From the DMG, Hyd, Letter No.3712/P/2015, dt.10.03.2015.
3) Govt. Lr.No.15952/M.III(1)/2013-14, dt.24.03.2015.
4) From the Ministry of Mines, GoI, Lr.No.5/7/2014-M.IV, dt.22.04.2015.
5) Govt. Lr.No.15952/M.III(1)/2013-14, dt.13.05.2015.
6) From the VC & MD, M/s APMDC, Lr.No.APMDC/Iron/MCRY RF/ATP/2009/274, dt.02.05.2015.
7) From the VC & MD, M/s APMDC, Lr.No.APMDC/Iron/MCRY RF/ATP/2009, dt.16.06.2015.
8) Govt. Lr.No.15952/M.III(1)/2013, dt.16.06.2015.
9) Govt.Lr.No.15952/M.II(1)/2013dt.30.07.2015.
10) From the Ministry of Mines, GoI, Lr.No.4/3/2014-M.IV, dt 01.09.2015.
11) From the VC & MD, M/s APMDC, Lr.No.APMDC/Iron/MCRY RF/ATP/2009/1939, dt.11.09..2015

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ORDER :

In the reference 1st read above, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has furnished a proposal to the Government of India for their prior approval, under Section 5 (1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, for grant of Prospecting License in favour of M/s A.P. Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., for Iron Ore, over an extent of 1327 Ha, in Comp.Nos. 692, 693, 694 of Kalyandurg Range R.F of Nemakallu (Village), Bommanahal (Mandal) and Hirdahal & Obulapuram (Villages) of D.Hirehal (Mandal), Ananthapur District for a period of (3) years.

2. In the meanwhile, the Govt. of India have promulgated an Ordinance and later it became as Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015, and it came into force with effect from 12.01.2015.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Govt. of India to consider the proposal of grant of Prospecting License to APMDC for Iron Ore and accord reservation of Prospecting License in favour of APMDC, under the provisions of Section 17 (A) 2 A of MMDR Amendment Act 2015 and to accord prior approval under Section 5 (1) of MMDR Act, 1957.

4. In the reference 4th read above , the Govt. of India without mentioning the State Government request made in the reference 3rd cited, has advised the State Government to ascertain whether the proposal for grant of mineral concession is saved from ineligibility under the provisions of Section 10 A of the Amendment Act and to take action to bring to the notice of the Ministry, if the proposal remains eligible, so that necessary action as per provisions of the Amendment Act may be taken.

5. In the reference 7th read above, the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, M/s APMDC has reported that when they pursued the matter at Minister of Mines, it was informed that the proposal sent by the Govt of Andhra Pradesh in the reference 3rd cited, does not speak for specific purpose. Since, as per the MMDR Amendment (Act) 2015, under Section 10 (A) (1), all applications received prior to the date of commencement of the act shall become ineligible, it has to be asked for reservation purpose. Hence, the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, M/s APMDC has requested the Govt of Andhra Pradesh to submit the proposals to Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India for reservation over the subject area under the provisions of Section 17 (A) (2) (A) of MMDR Amendment Act, 2015.

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6. Accordingly, in the references 8th & 9th read above, the State Government have requested the Government of India, Ministry of Mines to reserve the proposed area of 1327 Ha., in Minchery R.F. Compartment No.692, 693 and 694 of Kalyandurg Range of Nemakallu (V), Bommanahal (M) and Hirdahal & Obulapuram (V) of D.Hirehal (M), Ananthapur District in favour of M/s.APMDC Ltd., Hyderabad for its prospecting/ mining operations under Sec 17 (2A) of MM (D&R) Amendment Ordinance, 2015.

7. In the reference 10th read above, Government of India have conveyed their approval on the proposed reserving the area to an extent of 1327 ha in Ananthapuramu District in favour of M/s APMDC, under Section 17 A (2) of MMDR Act, 1957, subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2A), 2(B) and (2C) of section 17 A of the MMDR Act, 1957, as amended through the MMDR Amendment Act, 2015.

8. After careful consideration of the matter, the Government hereby decided to reserve the Iron Ore over an extent of 1327 hectares in Comp.Nos.692, 693, 694 in Minchery R.F of Kalyandurg Range of Nemakallu (Village), Bommanahal (Mandal) and Hirdahal & Obulapuram (Village) of D.Hirehal (Mandal), Ananthapur District in favour of M/s A.P.Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (D&R) Act,1957, subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2A), 2(B) and (2C) of Section 17 A of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, as amended through the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015.

9. Accordingly, the Government of Andhra Pradesh decided to publish the following Notification in the Extra-ordinary issue of **the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated.30.11.2015.**

NOTIFICATION

"Under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby reserve the Iron Ore over an extent of 1327 hectares in Comp.Nos.692, 693, 694 in Minchery R.F. of Kalyandurg Range of Nemakallu (Village), Bommanahal (Mandal) and Hirdahal & Obulapuram (Village) of D.Hirehal (Mandal), Ananthapur District in favour of M/s A.P.Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (D&R) Act,1957 subject to subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2A), 2(B) and (2C) of section 17 A of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation), 1957 as amended through the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

M.GIRIJA SHANKAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (M&G & F.P) (FAC)

To
The Commissioner of Printing, Stationary & Stores Purchase (Ptg. Wing), A.P., Hyderabad. (He is requested to publish the above Notification in the Extra-ordinary issue of Andhra Pradesh, and arrange to send 200 copies of the same to Government in Industries & Commerce (M.II) Department).
The Director of Mines & Geology, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APMDC, Hyderabad.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Ananthapur.
The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Kadapa.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Ananthapur .
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Tadipatri.
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, New Delhi.
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur.
The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Bihar.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
The P.A to Dy. Secretary, Ind & Com Dept. / The P.S to Secretary (Mines).
The Industries & Commerce (Mines-III) Department.
SF/SC(C.No.15952/M.II(1)/2013)

"*Copy of this order is available on Internet and can be accessed at address http://www.ap.gov.in/goir".*